

Docket No. 11009-0019

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of:

ROCHON

Art Unit: 1616

Examiner: Pak, John D.,

Serial No.: 10/067,809

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For: Hydrogen Peroxide Disinfectant With Increased Activity

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Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2002. Applicant also petitions for a one month extension of time as detailed at the end of this response.

In the restriction requirement, the Examiner alleged that claims 1-45 contain a plurality of patentably distinct species as related to the claimed phosphorous-based acid and anionic surfactants. The Examiner indicates that Applicant must select one of the species as identified in claim 6 and one of the anionic surfactants listed in claim 1.

Applicant hereby elects the 1-hydroxyethylidene-1,1,-diphosphonic acid species as found in claim 6.

Applicant further elects the anionic surfactant, namely C8-C16 alkyl aryl sulfonic acids and alkali metal and ammonium salts thereof, as recited in claim 1.

In light of the election of species above, an examination on the merits of claims 1-45 is respectfully requested.

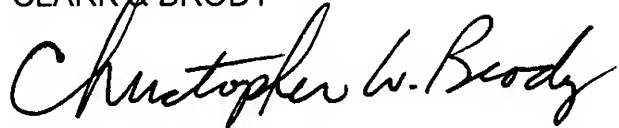
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A petition is made to extend the deadline for responding to the Office Action until October 15, 2002. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the one month extension of time fee of \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-1088. Any deficiencies or overpayments can also be resolved by using Deposit Account No. 50-1088.

Respectfully submitted,

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